



Tell 10 farmers to speak up about the rules...get them to tell 10 famers...

RE-WRITE THE RULE BOOK— PASS IT ON!

Water and nutrient rules will be changing in the Waimakariri Zone. This will affect what you can do on your farm. You can influence what the new rules say, but all farmers need to be involved.

WHY SHOULD YOU CARE?

Your neighbours are saying...

“Nutrients are unfairly allocated between the different farming systems within the Waimakariri Zone. Less intensive farms are losing future opportunities and this inequity is causing rifts in our community. There are solutions that will work for all farmers. ECan must discontinue grand-parenting nutrient allocation and develop an equitable and flexible plan that will protect the environment for future generations.”

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Tell ECan what will work for the sheep and beef sector.
You can do this :

- Attending ECan’s public meetings; and speaking out for sheep and beef farmers. See www.waimakariri-water.nz for information on meetings.
- Telling 10 farmers; the only way to influence change is to mobilise the sheep and beef sector. Tell 10 farmers about what’s happening... and then get them to tell 10.
- Stepping up; and joining a group of sheep and beef farmers dedicated to engaging in this planning process.

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DATE	What's happening?	This means...	B+LNZ will...
DEC 16- MAR 17	Scenario testing	The Zone Committee is asking 'what will water quality/ quantity look like if we...' You can share your ideas and feedback on this at public meetings.	Hold a workshop to raise farmer awareness/ share farmer experiences from other zones.
			Start a 'tell 10 campaign' to raise general farmer awareness.
			Support an engaged smaller farmer group to lead the way.
			Participate in the Science Stakeholder Advisory Panel.
			Support farmers on the Farmer Advisory Panel.
			Publicise ECan's public meetings through e-diary.
			Provide information so decisions are made on the basis of any effects on real farms, not modelled or made up ones
MAR 17- AUG 17	Solutions	The Zone Committee will use the results from their scenario testing to identify ways to improve water quality/ quantity. This is where you can share additional solutions that work for the sheep and beef sector.	Work with farmers to identify solutions that work for the sheep and beef sector and help communicate these in a way that matters.
			Promote and advocate farmer solutions with ECan and the Zone Committee.
			Participate in the Science Stakeholder Advisory Panel.
			Support farmers on the Farmer Advisory Panel.
			Publicise ECan's public meetings through e-diary.
			Support sheep and beef farmers to share their viewpoints and solutions to the Zone Committee.
SEP 17	Zone Implementation Plan (ZIP) addendum	The Zone Committee will publish its preferred solution(s).	Publicise information through e-diary.
2018	Plan notified	ECan will use the ZIP addendum to create new rules for the zone. These rules will be notified, and you can provide feedback on them.	Run workshops to help farmers write powerful submissions.
			Prepare an organisational submission on the proposed rules.
			Prepare and present expert evidence to support B+LNZ/ farmer submissions.
2018	Plan operative	Farmers must start operating under the new rules	Share information about the new rules.
			Support farmers within the Waimakariri Zone with the tools and resources they need on farm to implement the plan.